LOYAL WOMAN'S WORK

The Household, Conversation Club,

Puzzles, etc.

The Happy Household.

BOSTON BAKED BEANS. HAPPY HOUSEHOLD: Here is a recipe for Boston baked beans which I learned from a model New England housekeeper. They should be baked in a beau pot with a lid, though a common jar closely covered will answer. Soak over night, in soft water, two quarts of small white beans. In the in the mimic snow of her cotton, the rich plantamorning pse boil them until they are quite plump and swelled to their full size. Have ready two pounds of nicely-grained salt pork, checked with a knife across the rind. Wash the beans in three or four waters before placing them in the bean pot. Then add a baif teacopful of common New Orleans baking molasses (no other will give the same color and taste) and a spoenful, rounded, of soda. Put the park on top, cover with water, place in the oven, and bake from six to eight hours, according to the fire. They need no attention, except to see that they do not get dry, which will not happen if you follow the recipe. These beans may be kept a number of days, and may be served cold or hot, as they are never greasy, as we sometimes see baked beans, with bits of lard sticking to them. To serve hot, set the bean pot in the oven, as it breaks the beans and makes them mushy to warm them on the stove,-Editor "Loyal Woman's Work."

BAKED INDIAN PUDDING. HAPPY HOUSEBOLD: Take one quart of sweet milk, place over the fire, and let it come to a boil; then stir in one cup of meal. Boil slowly 10 minutes. Take four well-beaten eggs, one cup of sugar, one cup of raisins, one quart cold milk, and mix together; then stir in the cooked meal, and flavor to taste. Set in a hot oven one hour.-Lainnie Van Deusen, Hinckley, O.

A PRETTY TABLE SCARF. HAPPY HOUSEHOLD: I will send you an attractive way to make a table scarf or spread. The spread should be of crimson velveteen or felt. Have a border on two sides only. The borders should be of blocks of velvet or satin. Each block should have a different design, painted or embroidered, on it; or, if you prefer, you can make the blocks of crazy patchwork. Put on blocks with crazy stitch or plain, according to taste.—Meda Plympton, West Decatur, Pa.

ORANGE CAKE. HAPPY HOUSEHOLD: I am a young girl, only 16, and keep house for my father. I think THE TRIB-UNE is splendid. I send recipe: Grange Cake.-Two cups sugar, one-third cup butter, one cup milk, yolks of five eggs, whites of

three, three cups flour, three tenspoonfuls baking powder. Bake in layers. Icing-Whites of two literature.—Lena A. Stearns, Leoni, Mich. eggs, one and one-half cups sugar, grated rind and juice of one orange.—Sylvia Willey, Ohio, Ili. Editor's Chat. Certainly, Grace, you are welcome to the C. C. So is C. E. B., and all loyal boys and girls who de-

or through THE TEIBUNE. Walter A. Kaler writes that he has awarded the hat-band prize to Meda Plympton, a favorite in the

sire to improve their opportunities.

Comrade C. G. George, 23d Iowa, Burchard, Neb., should try to go around a squirrel watching bim from a tree trunk. He will find that the squirrel

will make as good time getting around the tree as Comrade Hugh Brady, Box 280, Yates Center, Woodson Co., Kan., wants the address of Capt. John Gorden or members of Co E 2d Kan Cav who knew anything of John Lindsley, same company, who died at Uniontown, Eourbon Co., Kan., May, 1872, from injuries received in the service. Also, John Lindsley, same company of Vet. address of Capt. J. Vander Hock's company of Veteran Reserves. Information to help John Lindsley's destitute orphan child to secure dues from the

Government. OUR MASCOTTE. Mascotte has been reading that the Poet Whittier, now in his 79th year, has been "putting his house in order" with the prudence befitting that advanced age, and in doing so has burned several thousand letters indiscriminately, the accumulated correspondence of half a century. His explanation of this general bontire is that many of them were confidential, and that he had not time or strength to assort the mass, and preferred that all should perish rather than take responsibility for leaving them should be given to any of the number. What he says on this subject should be heeded by every one: I have always regarded a private and confidential letter as sacred, and its publicity in any shape a

shameful breach of trust, unless authorized by its Said some one to Mascotte: "I don't know how it is, but somehow people don't have large families now-a-days like they used to. Why, my grandmother had eight brothers and three sisters." it certainly is not so common in these modern days to have as many children in a family as in olden times, but occasionally one hears of large families. Mascotte remembers hearing of a farmer, Hiram Blein, of Montgomery Co., Pa., who is the father of 22 daughters and two sons. The daughters are all married and have families of their own, Not long since the 24 children and all of the grandchildren made up a surprise party and paid old Mr. Blein. who is 79 years of age, a visit, which was a most ex-

The adage, a little knowledge is a dangerous thing, is a very dangerous adage. If knowledge is true, I do not believe it to be other than a valuable sion, no matter how infinitesimal in quantity. Indeed, if a little knowledge be dangerous, who is there safe among us? "-Hucley.

"Fiorence," Box 27, Leesburg, N. J., writing to Mascotte on the results of home training, says they are seen every day, whether good or bad, even in her own quiet little village. "For instance," she says, "there goes a boy who chews tobacco, and delights in strutting about the streets with a cigar in his mouth; thinks it is manly; frequents places that no respectable person should enter; and, instead of attending school, sits around stores, etc. Are his parents doing their duty by him in allowing him to spend his time thus? Let's now turn to the girls, for they are far from perfect; running the streets, flirting, etc., thinking that after they are 'sweet 16' they are too old for school, and so turn their thoughts to the most important object in their life, to them, viz., marriage. Where are the mothers, that they do not put some restraint on them, and kindly point out the dangers of so doing? Parents, make your homes happy, then your children will have no desire to spend their evenings out. Throw all the good influences you can around them, and do all that is in your power to make them such men and women that the country will be proud to own them and delight to honor them." The poet Wordsworth says:
"And books, we know,

Are a substantial world, both pure and good; Round these, with tendrils strong as flesh and

Our pastimes and our happiness will grow." One of the first things to be considered in reading is that we cannot read everything; indeed, there are thousands and thousands of volumes that we can never read. " Haste makes waste" in reading as in everything else; the more haste the less speed. The habit of reckless, rapid reading, if acquired, will soon totally unfit you for hard study. fave the patience to labor and wait and you will find that the knowledge that comes slowly, surely, but systematically, will be the knowledge that will A rule which has been laid down to young stu-

dents is to read only the best of everything. In the growth of the human mind the tendency of the taste is always upward; from crude, uneducated natural taste the growing mind has a tendency to educated, refined and acquired taste if properly nourished. The love and admiration of our youth or blood-and-thunder stories, with yellow-covered backs, whose pages are spattered with the blood of Indians, midnight assassins, and wild men of the West—such stories as "Merciless Ben, the Hair Lifter," "Seven Buckets of Blood; or, Life Among the Rockies," the literature that is coarse, slangy and ungrammatical, we will soon come to regard with great indifference, and afterward with digust as our ideas advance and we attain higher ideals. Conversation Club.

Rules of the Club.-1. Write briefly. 2. Write only on one side of the paper. 3. Write to the point. 4. Write on one subject. 5. Write your best. 6. Bend answers to all puzzles for use of Editor. Each week the names of those writing the best lettersstyle, composition, spelling, penmanship and gen-eral merit considered—will be named at the head of this column on the Honor Roll. First honor will include all of these requirements. Second honor

will include a deficiency in some one point. No others will be named. HONOR ROLL-BEST LETTERS. First Honor-Belle Holloway, Youngstown, O. Second Honor-D. W. La Rock, St. Paul, Minn.

OUR ROLL-CALL GREETINGS. Fred. Ogden, Hydesville, Humboldt Co., Cal. Grace Cassell, Jacksonville, Ill., daughter of 101st Ill. veteran; Esther A. Frink (12), father and four brothers served in Co. F, 31st Mass., Salisbury, Conn.; C. D. Dunham (15), S. of V.; Flora J. Corlis (8), daughter of 2d Mich. cavalryman, Burton, Kan.; Nora Bixler, Gotham, Wis., father served six years in Battery I, 4th U. S. Art.; wounded five times; Ada Essiinger, Hampton, Iowa, daughter of Co. K. 23d Wis, veteran; Bessie E. Taggart, Darlington, Mo., daughter of Captain of 63d Ohio; Charles D. Deakin, Thomas A. Deakin, Edgar E. Draper, Vandalia, Iowa; Ora Showalter, Unadilla, Mich.; Mary J. McDonald, French Lick, Ind.; Ionia Bowdre; Ednah F. Byan (8), South Chelmsford, Mass. daughter of 6th Mass. veteran, reads every day to ber blind grandmother, 87 years old; Lula Hilden, Hockingsport, O., (12,) daughter of Andersonville prisoner of Co. E, 1st W. Va. Cav.

SOLVERS AND SEARCHERS. Jesse S. Rarey, Kenton, O., 19; Otis Frisby, Lena. Bl., 8; C. E. Bassett, Plainfield, O., 1; Elia Brant Eharpsville, Pa., 1; X. Y. Z., Crookston, Minn., 11 Willie S. Price, Ann Arbor, Mich., 4: Lewis Eddy, Neals Creek, Ind., 3; Willie S. Price, Ann Arbor, Mich., 7; Merton I. Ackley, Marble Rock, Iowa, 7 Rufus Atherton, Livermore, Ky. 2; Maggie Mar-tin, Parkville, Mo., 1; Grace Cassell, Jacksonville, Ill., 14; Maud Allen, Mountain Lake, Pa., 3; Ida S. Ayers, Muscatine, Iowa, 7; Walter M. Thurston, Farmington, Minn., 9; J. E. Smith, Barre, Mass., 3: Irvin F. Brant, Sharksville, Pa., II; Maud Fox, Southington, O., 14; Howard Chamberlin, 11; Ed-

die G. Green, Greenwich, Conn. 17; Jas. E. Alger, Swimpscott, Mass., 11; C. F. Johnston, 6; M. Lou Walker, Parkwood, Pa., 1; William Walter Fox,

1; Annie L. Marsh, Saugus, Me., 10; John Fox, jr., Fredonia, Kan., 6; Edward Stewart, Loyd, Wis.; Ed. Rynearson, Gettysburg, O., 5; Elmer E. Auştin, Perham, Me., 2; Linn Van Deosen, Hinckley O., 10; Harry Fox, Murdocksville, Pa., 13; C. E. Basset, Coshocton, O., 1; Leroy E. Davis, Fulda, Minn., 1; Nora Bixler, Gotham, Wis., 1; Tennie E. Culbertson, Ailentown, Pa., 7; Milton Maxim, Supe-

rior, Wis., 4.

OUR COUNTRY. FRIENDS OF THE CLUB: We cannot honor our country with too deep a reverence, or serve her with an energy of purpose or a faithfulness of zeal too steadfast and ardent. What is our country?

It is not the East with her hills and valleys, her A bitter fruit. countiess sails, and the rocky ramparts of her A musical instrument. shores. It is not the North with her villages and That which is spoken. Soft-finned fishes. frontiers of the lakes and ocean. It is not the West with her inland isles, her luxuriant expanses clothed in verdant corn, with her beautiful Ohio HISTORIC ENIGMA. and Mississippi. Nor is it yet the South, opuient

tion of the rustling cane, or the golden robes of the What are these but the sister families of one greater and better-Our Country. Nature has, indeed, given us a soil which yields bounteously to the hands of industry. The mighty and fruitful ocean is before us, and the skies over our heads shed health and vigor. But what are lands and seas to civilized man, without society, without knowledge, without morals, without religious cul-ture? And how can these be enjoyed in all their extent and excellence, but under the protection of wise institutions and a free Government whose

privileges we share?-Belle Holloway, Youngs-

BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU READ. PRIENDS OF THE CLUB: Seeing in THE TRIBUNE of Feb. 18 a request to exchange foreign stamps and books for dime novels, detective stories, and books of adventure. I felt impelled to write a few words of warning. Are you aware how many boys, whose imaginations have been fired by the unnatural pictures of adventure have been led to leave their homes to try such a life, to find, perhaps, too late that it is not what the stories pictured it? Or how many girls, getting from the novels unnatural views of life, have been easily persuaded to leave their once happy homes, to awake too late to the bitter realities of life? Have I overdrawn the pic-I think a perusal of many of the newspapers of the day will convince you that I have not. I believe half the unhappy marriages of the present time can be traced to the influence of such trashy literature, from which the readers get such distorted views of life, love, and happiness. haps some one says, "It never burt me, and I know lots of people whom it never burt a particle." Ah! you do not know. The damage that is done to the mind cannot be estimated. Such reading is worse than trash-it is poison. And shall we feed our minds on poison? No; life is too short and time too precious to spend in reading such poisonous literature, when there is such a multiplicity of good books and papers. And we cannot now say, as we once could, that we read sensation stories because they are cheap, for a great many standard

CLUB WHISPERS. I have been reading THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE for some time and am completely captivated by it. 1 think it is the best paper in the world. If any of the C. C. would hear from this part of the country I will take pleasure in replying to letters.-Hugh L. White, Sample, E. Tenn. It is understood that members of the C. C. may Say to F. R. Eckle that I know from experience address inquiries to other members, either by letter | that powdered nitre, moistened with water and applied to the face night and morning, will remove all traces of freekles.—G. H. Greely, M. D., Frankfort, N. Y.

BEST BOY'S LETTER. DEAR TRIBUNE: I am the son of a veteran. My father served in Co. C, 46th Ohio, four years and two months. I am II years old, and think THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE the "boss" paper. I like the "Mule Story" splendid, but "Si Klegg" best of all.—Ora Showalter, Unadilia, Otoe Co., Neb.

TEIBUNE EXCHANGE-WANTED. To exchange: Pieces for a postal card quilt,-Youths' Companion for 1885 for best offer received,-"Washington's Dream."-May Covert, Orwell, O. Pair of clamp roller skates for rubber type outfit.—F. L. Shepherd, Eskridge, Kan. Photograph album or collection of specimens for best photograph.-S. A. Dougias, St. Charles, Iowa. Crocheted lace for crazy pieces.—Ada De Witt, Ox ford, O. Pin cushion to young lady, hat band to young gentlemen, for prettiest collection crazy pieces.—Rufus Atherton, Livermore, Ky. Remington army revolver for Remington's 38-caliber central fire.-Eimer E. Austin, Perham, Me. Autograph cards exchanged.-Ida M. Tift, Jewett City, Conn. Three cauaries, blue jay and thrush, all male birds, for male moking bird.—Mrs. Eli Cook Eaton Rapids, Mich. "James Bird," "Maud Miller," and "Sheridan's Ride," for "Dying Califor-"" What Was His Creed," etc.-Linn D. Van Deosen, Hinckley, O. "Over the Garden Wall' and 99 other songs for National war songs.—Frank W. Jones, Wanpaca P. Q., Wis. Sodgs for songs.— Harry Bensinger, Deweyville, O. Songs for songs, "Texas Ranger" and "Cowboy's Grave" preferred. - Edgar E. Draper, Vandalia, Iowa. "Marching Through Georgia," etc., for "German Home Across the Sea," etc.—Avie G. Dorn, Spen-cer, N. Y. "When the Robins Nest Again," etc., "Marching Through Georgia," etc.-Kate O. Daniel, Cambridgeboro, Pa. Lace patterns ex-changed.—Nora Bixler, Gotham, Wis. Wanted: Bangles with initials of giver from members of the Club by one who loves THE NA-TIONAL TRIBUNE. — Adah M. Bascom, Lansing,

Iowa. Correspondence with son and daughter of Co. B, 29th Wis. veterans.—D. W. La Rock (22), Manitoba avenue, St. Paul, Minn. The Curious Corner. [Answers to questions will not be published within two or three weeks after questions appear. So all will have a chance to send replies, and receive honorable mention with number answered. Slavery was constitutionally abolished Monday,

Peace was declared Monday, April 2, 1866. Gen. Sedgwick rebuked his men for dodging a ball, saying, "Pooh, they can't hit an elephant at that distance.

Mason and Dixon's line was a name given to Southern boundary line of Pennsylvania, separating it from the slave States, Maryland and Virginia. It was named after Mason and Dixon, two English surveyors, who ran it, excepting two miles, Nov. 15, 1763-Dec. 26, 1767.
 The pretense of illegitimacy declared by Henry

VIII on his divorce from Anne Bolen led to the troubles of Mary Queen of Scots. Ezekiel Holliman baptized Roger Williams The first grand jury which assembled in America was in 1635.

1. How and when were the streets of New York first lighted ?-Eddie L. Green, Greenwich, Conn. 2. What father and son were Presidents? 3. Who "Poor Richard"?-M. Lou Walker, Park-Was

4. Where did the President and his Cabinet go when Washington was captured and burned? 5. What is the motto of Kentucky? 6. Why was the title "Stonewall" given to Thomas Jonathan Jack-son ?-F. P. Hoy, Pickerington, O. 7. Who invented the steamboat, and when ?-Rufus Atherton, Livermore, Ky.

The first record we have of the books of the Bible being collected into a volume was in the second Elisha plowed with 12 yoke of oxen before him. 1 Kings, 19:19.) Jehosaphat put his army in battle array and commanded them to sing 2d Chron., 20, 21, 22. Saul tarried under a pomegranate tree with about

BIBLE BRIGADE.

600 men. (1 Sam., 14:2.) shall not afflict any widow or fatherless child" is found in Ex., 22: 22. 1. Where is the only place in the Bible soil mentioned?—Hattie Vincent, Salem, Mo.: 2. What King had two sons by the same name? 3. Where does it speak of nine and twenty knives? -Hattle S. Herrick, Bluehill Falls, Me. 4. What five Kings did Joshua command to be brought out of a cave?

5. What woman was thrown out of the window and eaten up by dogs? 5. Who went down in the midst of a pit and slew s lion in time of ---- ?- J. J. Shaw, Rock Falls,

7. Who was Cain's wife, and what mark did God put on Cain ?- Joseph Mather, Whitesville, Ky.

BRAIN-RACKERS

[To Contributors: In sending answers name No. of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE in which the puzzle is found. Answers of guessers may be forwarded within a week after receiving this TRIBUNE. Do not make numerical enigmas of your own names Answers must accompany all puzzles forwarded l ANSWERS TO PUZZLES IN TRIBUNE APRIL 1.

Transitions-L-ONE. Edith's Enigma—Light-house. Conundrums, New and Old—I. Wed-lock; 2. He s next to O. 3. He is a Jew-ill. Transposition-The President of the United Hidden Words and Objects-Fan, Ant, Own, He Can, Lag, Hoot, Month, Pot.

Charade-Chessmen Additions-1. Ab-bey. 2. Bat-fouling. 7. Gad-wall. 8. Ha-mite. 9. Isl-and. 10. Jack-daw. 3. Cal-very. 11. Kid-nap. . Emu-late. 6. Fortune-hunter. CONUNDRUMS-OLD AND NEW.

1. What three authors did the man name when he saw a building on fire?—Willie S. Prince, Ann 2. What is the difference between a locomotive 3. What bird is a favorite with college students -Alma J. Stewart, Sidney, O. 4. What ship carries more passengers than the Great Eastern?—Jno. W. Dewees, Blue Ridge Sum-

My I is in man, but not in boy; 2 is in sadness, but not in joy; 8 is in carrot, but not in beet; is in sour, but not in sweet; 5 is in nice, also in neat; My whole is a city in Georgia. -Herbert Bernaner, Marshfield, Pa. HIDDEN ARTICLES OF FOOD. It does not yet appear what we shall be. I do not know how heat can make the difference.

CROSS-WORD ENIGMA.

Your question cannot be answered. HIDDEN TOWNS. He could neither ride nor walk the distance Walker, Parkwood, Pa., 1; William Walter Fox. The rivers are daily washing tons of sand from Walker, Kan., 4; Thomas M. Blair, Allegany, Pa., their beds.—Zack Snyder, Pine Grove, Pa.

ANIGRAM. My 1 is in love, but not in hate ; 2 is in fish, but not in mate 8 is in cone, but not in cell; 4 is in chime, but not in bell;

6 is in pistol, but not in gun; 7 is in man, and also in Sam. My whole is a great man, whose name you will If you look through this carefully and the tangle -Ernest Long, Anderson, Ind.

> WORD SQUARE. -Leonard Martin, Emporia, Kan.

I am composed of 10 letters: My 4, 7, 9, 2, 10 is a sect who ravaged Rome B. C. 8, 2, 5, is a girl's name;

5 is in moon, but not in sun;

6, 1, 3, 9 is what every young lady likes to My whole is the name of a boy who defeated a Roman Emperor. -C. J. Johnston, Douglass, Kan.

The Lynchburg Raid. TO THE EDITOR: In your issue of Feb. 25 I read an account of the Lynchburg raid by John H. Prather, of Manchester, O. He may be correct in his description of the raid so far as his personal knowledge goes, but that part which he borrowed from Geo. Fitzwater, of Olive Hill, Ky., who claims to have been one of those rebels who made that attack, is a falsehood of the first water. He stated that a wagon train was sent out under guard of an Ohio 100-days' regiment, and that 16 of Capt. Thoroman's guerrilflight. Now, who would believe that?

Instead of 16 there were 75 rebels, and instead of a regiment there were 30 men of Co. I. 167th Ohio, and instead of open skirmish they fired upon them from ambush as they were on the march (and not in camp, as he stated), wounding three men and killing three horses. I admit it was a reckless piece of business on the part of our commander to send out a train guarded by only 30 men 75 miles over an enemy's country, infested with guerrillas and bushwhackers. Nevertheless he said go, and the boys went. The remainder of the story is correct. I was

in a famishing condition .- F. OPPERMAN, Co. B, 167th Ohio, Cochran, Ind.

How He Could Take Revenge. [San Francisco Chronicle.]

"Life," said the cynic, "Life is not worth living.' "No?" said the damsel at his side. "Why?" "Life is a bore. Human nature is so tame, insipid, ridiculous, in all except the vicious classes. Society in the accepted sense does not

live, my dear Miss Jones. It passes the time." "And has lots of fun sometimes." "Never. It believes it has fun; but it's very sorry, stupid, dull fun. I am a cynic. People bore me to death. Of course, there are exceptions, such as you-but-others. They talk and talk and talk, and I-I sit and listen, and think what empty, brainless things men and women are. They weary me."

"Well, why don't you take your revenge?" " How ?" "Talk back to them." dropped the subject.

Giving Himself Away.

[Texas Siftings.]
Mose Schaumburg was as mad as a moist hen one day last week. In a voice that quivered with rage, he said to his clerk, Ike Silverstone: "Sit down dot desk at, and write a letter vat I dictates dot Jake Oppenheimer to. Write: 'I dot ledder? Jake Oppenheimer. Who has I dunned dime and again? Jake Oppenheimer. Who has baid no attenshuns to dose duns? Jake Oppenheimer.' Have you got dot down, Mr. Silverstone?" .

"I have dot down." "Den conglude: 'Who vash a tam scoundrel?' Have you got dot down?" "I have dot down "

"Den give dot letter to me so I puts my name The clerk did so, and hence the conclusion of Mose's letter read: "Who vash a tam scoundrel? Mose Schaumburg."

> Nothing to Fear. [N. Y. Sun.]

"Have you spoken to father, George, dear?" she asked, and the voice which came from under the lapel of his coat fairly trembled with happiness. "Have you begged his consent

"No. I didn't think it was necessary," George replied, "because he has always been so friendly and cordial with me. On yesterday he slapped me on the back and gave me a good cigar, and told me how well I was looking, and that I must come up to the house as often as I could, and that you would always be glad to see me, and we could have the parlor to ourselves every night if we wanted it, and ---" "Dear father!" interrupted the voice, "perhaps I had better break the news to him my-

> Light Diet. [Texas Siftings.]

Mose Schaumburg and Ike Levison are rivals in trade, but personally they are very friendly. Being in a good humor, Mose said to Levison:

"Come home mit me and have dinners." "I vas much opliged put I has choost had some dinners, Mose." "Ish dot so?"

"Ya, I has choost dined." "I don't believe dot."

"I have choost dined-upon my word of "Vell, den, come along and eat some more.

A Spotless Future.

[Texas Siftings.] Judge Noonan, of San Antonio, is not very popular with the young attorneys, because when they argue motions for new trials before him he gets excited and overrules the motions, and

orders them laid on the table. A few days ago, a young lawyer in arguing a motion for the new trial of a horse thief, said pathetically: "It is true that my client has a bad record in the past, but even your Honor should admit that there is no stain upon his future record." penitentiary was just the place for a man to keep his future spotless.

A Dog-Goned Instruction.

[Texas Siftings.] "Look here, Uncle Mose, you ought to shoot dat dog. He is gwine ter hab hydrophobia sure," said Jim Webster.

"He am afeared to drink water. Dat am s certain sign." "G'way, fool nigger! You baint drunk no gun and shoot bofe of yer bekase yer don't as a valuable crop. drink water?"

An Unfortunate Rain-Storm. [N. Y. Sun.]

Country minister (to farmer): "You and your good wife, Mr. Hayseed, don't get in for better than a hard clay soil. The ordinary soil Sunday services as often as I would like to see

Mr. Hayseed: "I was goin' to hitch up an drive in last Sabbath, but it rained. What did you preach about?" Minister: "My text was, 'Feed my Lambs." I attempted-Mr. Hayseed: "Is that so? I'd like to have

year a farmer what keeps sheep can't know too

much 'bout feedin' lambs. The Tender Language. [N. Y. Sun.] Buxom widow (at evening party): "Do you understand the language of flowers, Dr.

Crusty ?" Dr. Crusty (an old bachelor): "No, ma'am."
Widow: "You don't know if yellow means jealousy?" Dr. Crusty: "No, ma'am. Yellow means bilieusness.'

SCOTT'S EMULSION of PURE Cod Liver Oil, with Hypophosphites, In Pulmonary Affections and Scrofulous Diseases. DR. IRA. M. LANG, New York, says: "I have prescribed Scott's Emulsion and used it in my family, and am greatly pleased with it. Have found it very serviceable in Scrofulous diseases and Pulmonary affections,"

Some Practical Suggestions for Our Agricultural Readers.

SHOEING HORSES.

Few people are aware of the serious injury which results to a horse from unskillful shoeing, and the way in which the usefulness of that most valuable animal is impaired by bungling work in that particular. One practice above all | San Francisco, and it is claimed that the proshould be discountenanced and positively prohibited by the farmers: that is allowing the blacksmith to put a hot shoe on the hoof. This is to a great extent the result of laziness, as everybody knows how much more rapidly culture or horticulture. the hoof can be burned to the shape of the shoe than it can be cut. This practice of burning is probably more or less painful to the animal, and there can be no doubt of the fact that it dries up the hoof, makes it brittle, thereby causing cracks, and frequently making it necessary to lay the animal off for repairs, thus entailing a serious loss, especially in the busy season, even if it does not permanently | find a profitable market for well-bred colts. injure the hoof. It is true it would take a few minutes more to shoe a horse if the shoes were las, armed with revolvers, charged them in all put on cold, but the blacksmith who is not open skirmish and put the entire regiment to | willing to go to this extra trouble is not a fit man to patronize. If farmers were to frown on this practice there would be plenty of men found willing to put a shoe on in a proper and humane manner. While on this subject we may also mention a

practice very prevalent among blacksmiths, that of making a hoof fit the shoe instead of the shoe fitting the hoof. This cramps and distorts the foot and destroys that springy action so necessary to the comfort and well being of a horse.

If horses could be allowed to run barefooted one of the guards who went with the other for a few months only in the year it would be train. We met Hunter's men at Dogwood Gap of great benefit to them, by getting the hoof in good shape and hardening it. This, we commences, if the land is tolerably soft and free from stones, and the horse would not be required to pull heavy loads on hard roads for sometime, the shoes might be carefully taken off, all the rough and jagged edges of the hoof passed until they can complete their claims that are filed round, and there would be little danger to still in the Pension Office? 2. Does an appeal to apprehend from a broken hoof. The animals would greatly enjoy the change; and on the | 3. Does additional evidence reopen cases? 4. If a score of economy, at any rate, it should appeal | claimant, mentally afflicted, is required to make

to the farmer. Under no circumstances should a horse's shoe be left on longer than five weeks. The fact of the shoe not being worn out and still adhering | during the war, while in hospital, alluding to aforefirmly has nothing to do with the case. Far- said debility be of any benefit in a claim? Answer. mers must bear in mind that while the shoo remains upon the foot the hoof grows with congiderable remains upon the foot the hoof grows with congiderable remains upon the cause of rejection and is of sufficiently resulting the supplier of siderable rapidity, as there is no wear whatever, and the horse, walking on long hoofs and being is a hypothetical question, which cannot be deficompelled to pull a lead, is about as uncomforta-ble as a man walking on stilts. The leg is And the cynic grinned a sickly grin and thrown out of shape and the knees soon spring soldiers were killed in battle during the war of the if the unfortunate animal is compelled to work rebellion? 2. How many died of disease while in on hoofs an inch greater in length than nature | the service? 3. How many were taken prisoners ever proposed they should be. Of course it is not necessary to supply new shoes. The old 5. How many men were enlisted in the belging in the state of the state o shoes can be carefully taken off, the hoofs pared wounds and injuries, 49,205; died of suicide, homidown to the right length, and the same shoes refitted. Do not allow the blacksmith to cut wounds and injuries, 49,205; died of suicide, homicide and execution, 526; died of disease, 186,216; unknown causes, 24,184; total, 304,369, 3, 212,608. down the frog of the hoof. This tough, springy | 4. The exact number will probably never be known. substance acts as a buffer and prevents the have written to you. Who has not answered | bruising of the foot by stones or other hard substances.

A little care in these particulars may save months of inconvenience and loss of labor by reason of disabled animals. GIRDLED TREES.

TO THE EDITOR : The article in a recent issue of your valuable paper saying there is no help for trees that have been girdled by rabbits, mice, or from any other source, is incorrect; and, as I am a reader of THE NATIONAL TRIB. duty drilling, he received a sunstroke, and in con-UNE, you will please let me here correct the same, or, rather, give my remedy for treating

such cases. Take from the same tree, or any other healthy tree, a sprout of last year's growth the size of a pencil, of proper length to reach above and across the injured parts; whittle the said sprout at each end to fit gimlet holes to be bored slanting upwards for the top hole, and in the opposite direction for the lower hole. Three of these scions at least for each tree must be used. Care must be taken to place the scions properly, so that the sap of the scions meets properly with the sap of the tree. Then wax the joined parts. It is a good plan to tie an old rag around the tree to keep the sprouts from drying up. To make this wax take four parts resin, one beeswax, one tallow, melted together. When melted turn into a pail of cold water, then work into rolls in sizes to suit. It is then ready for use. In warm weather it is well to use a piece of tallow

in your hand to prevent sticking. This forms, too, an excellent salve for any sore or cut.-B. J. STANLY, Springdale, Mich. [While the operation referred to above by Mr. Stanly has frequently been performed with success, we do not think it thoroughly practical, as it certainly would not pay to treat a number of trees in that way; and besides, if the tree on which the experiment was tried was not one of great vigor it would most likely fail. We think that it would not be worth while to treat a tree in that way unless it was one of great worth or value as an ornamental or shade tree. Would it be possible to connect the separated bark by binding on to the naked trunk pieces of healthy, live bark cut from other trees? We do not think, however, that this would be as amination to see if he has a pensionable disability. practical a way of treating an injured tree as like to know if any of our readers have ever

tried it.—ED.]

CABBAGES FOR STOCK. Few farmers have given any attention to cabbages as food for animals and fowls. They throw the loose leaves taken from the heads that are eaten in the house into the poultry yard, and notice that the fowls leave their grain to pick at them. If cattle or sheep find their way into the garden, they eat cabbage in preference to any other vegetable they find there. Hogs at any age are fond of cabbages. Ducks and geese will eat them, both in the raw and cooked state. That cabbages are very valuable In spite of this eloquent appeal Judge Noonan food all admit. That they are not generally everruled the motion, remarking that the raised for animals and fowls seems somewhat strange. Much less labor is required to produce a crop of cabbages than one of roots. Nearly all the work of cultivation can be done with a horse. The seed for a crop of roots must be planted very early in the Spring, when there 1, 1861. You are, therefore, not entitled to bounty are not many things on the farm that require attention. The thinning and weeding of beets, who was enrolled in the Cherokee Home Guards, who was enrolled in the Cherokee Home Guards, turnips and parsnips must be done by hand, and discharged from United States service at the Uncle Mose, somewhat alarmed, asked what and at a time when several other crops make close of the war, entitled to membership in the demands on the farmer's time. Cabbages designed for stock food should not be set out till after other field and garden crops are planted, as it is not desirable to have them come to mawater yersef in de last 10 years, and you sint turity till very late in the Fall. On this acbit nobody yit. Does yer want me ter take a count cabbages constitute a convenient as well

The soil for cabbages should be well drained. tolerably dry and friable. A tenacious clayey soil is unsuited for this crop. It is very hard to work, and will give a poor return for the labor bestowed upon it. A light loam is much of the prairies is good; it is so situated that water will not stand on its surface after a heavy rain. It should be plowed deep and well pulverized. It is best to plow land intended to produce cabbages in the Fall, and to plow it again a few days before the plants are set out. By adopting this course the soil becomes well pulverized, and is free from weeds at the time heard that sermon. Jest at this season of the the young plants are set out. The seed for late cabbages should be planted about the last of May. It is best to sow the seed in long rows about a foot apart. The ground for the seedbed should be rich and well pulverized. After the seed is sown in the rows and covered, the soil should be pressed down. Young plants will appear in a few days, and will grow rapidly if the soil they occupy is kept light by the use of the hand-hoe. During the latter part of June the plants should be set out in the field. It is best to select a time when the soil is moist for transplanting. The lower leaves should be cut off before they are set out. An opening being made in the soil that will hold all the roots without pressing them close together, the earth should be drawn back and pressed down mitted to the Adjutant General for an amendment by the foot. Treated in this way, nearly every of record. 2. Col. Pritchard, with a portion of Wilplant will grow.—Exchange.

It would be just as well to keep a watchful eye on the balance. Clean out the pensand troughs, scrape out all decaying matter from under and around them, and use some disinfectant. - A queen bee lays from two to three

thousand eggs in four hours. It is not necessary to ask, "How doth the little busy bee?" She doeth well and should be a shining example to the lazy hen that can only be induced to lay one egg in 24 hours, and then only when eggs are cheap ! - A colt should be halter broke when a

week old, and when allowed to follow the mother should be led at her side. A colt thoroughly halter broke before it is weaned is of hay and oats. - Cattle are now skinned by electricity in

cess increases the value of the hides by removing them in better condition than in the old - Remember that the manure question is

the most important one connected with agri-- Cows give bloody milk on account of inflammation of the udder. The inflammation may be caused by cold, bruises, overheating or overfeeding. The treatment of the cow should be according to the circumstances. Bathing the udder frequently with hot water, or better yet, hot vinegar, is always good. If the udder has been overstimulated, feed less. - Do not breed your mares to scrab stallions.

Scrub stock never pays, but you will always - Care should be taken to work the horses moderately in beginning Spring work. Good animals are often permanently injured by being forced immediately after months of comparative idleness.

OUR CORRESPONDENTS. Replies to Questions on a Variety of Interesting

[To Correspondents.-Write questions on a separate sheet of paper, give full name and address, and mark it "Correspondents' Column." No attention will be paid to communications that are not accompanied with full name and address of writer. Our readers are requested to inclose a stamp for reply to their inquiries. Postal cards will be replied to by mail only. Replies by mail will ordinarily be made within a week, and if in this col-

umn within three weeks.1 A Widow, Milan, Mo .- A widow applies for pension in March, 1884. Pension granted on account of death of husband, who died from disease conthink, could be done without any delay to work, of whom are now of age. At the death of the as, for instance, when a season of plowing mother, are the children entitled to draw a pension during their minority from the death of soldier; or what interest have the children? Answer. No.

They have no interest in the claim. S. G. R., Wisconsin.-1. To what class of soldiers will Congress give aid through the bill recently the Secretary of the Interior reopen cases, and about how long are they behind in settling claims? his own affidavit, and is not able to do so intelligently, would the Commissioner make allowance, in considering the claim, if his mental debility was known to exist? 5. Will old letters written

Answer, 1 and 2. Killed in battle, 41,238; died of We put the figure at 60,000. 5. It cannot be deter-

Friend of the Soldier .- 1. Is there any earthly reason why a poor, needy soldier, or widow, is obliged to wait from four to six months for a settlement of a pension claim simply to get a report from the Adjutant-General, U. S. A.? 2. Is the work so far behind in that office? 3. If so, why? 4. What is there to hinder an increase of force, or arranging the books so that more clerks can work, etc.? A man enlisted as a soldier in the war of the rebel-lion and went with his company to the State Capital to be mustered into the United States service but before being mustered, and while in line of sequence of this was rejected as unsound. Could he not legally apply for a pension? Answer. I. Yes.
The inability of the force to keep up the work on
pension claims. 2. Yes. 3. A lack of clerical force. 4. The failure of Congress to provide more clerks on such work. 5. There is nothing to prevent his applying for a pension, but he is not legally entitled to receive a pension under the general pension law,

because he never was mustered into the United States service. W. C. B., Albany, Tex.-I have recently been placed on the pension rolls, with pay to commence from the date of application. In such cases are there any precedents for a private bill granting arrearage money? If so, please cite one or two instances. I served under analias; now the Commissioner of Pensions has had my certificate made out in both names. I wish, for good and obvious reasons, to drop the alias. Can I get it done? If so, how Can my attorney have it done, and at what cost? Answer. No to all the questions.

M. W. L., Fairfield, O .- I notice that J. C., Spearfish, Dak., inquires if a pensioner was exempt from poll-tax. Now, the State of Ohio provides that every able-bodied man between the age of 21 and 55 shall perform two days' labor on the public highways. Is a pensioner considered able-bodied? If so, why is he pensioned? Answer. We do not consider that a pensioner is an able-bodied man, else he would not be pensioned; but the matter of polltax is one that is regulated by State laws, and regarding which there is no general law.

Mrs. M. B., Mendota, Mo.—Can I draw a pension for my husband, who was disabled during the war while in the service, and also draw a pension for my son, who was killed in battle, having first obtained a pension for my son? I think I can have pension granted for my husband's injuries, but wish you to inform me if I can draw it while drawing a pension for my son. Answer. No. But one pension can be allowed. You can elect which pension you can draw, but the law forbids the payment of two pensions to one person. A. C. P., Keene, Wis .- 1. When a soldier files a claim for pension he is then sent for a medical exis he not? 2. If such is found to be the case, he is then required to furnish evidence to prove that his Ven you has choost dined upon your vord of honor, you must be hungry, as dot vash very like to know if any of our readers have ever disability was incurred in the service and in the line of duty, is he not? 3. When the evidence is like to know if any of our readers have ever for rating, is he not? After this is done and a rat-

ing given, has not the claimant good reasons to believe that his case will be favorably considered? Answer. Yes to all the questions, as applied to an Drafted, Halsey Valley, N. Y .- I was drafted from the State of New York and enrolled July 15, 1863; honorably discharged July 17, 1865. I received \$100 bounty. Am I entitled to any more? Answer. No. W. H. G., Wells River, Vt.-1. If a claimant for pension employs an attorney, and the attorney agrees to make copies of all the papers in the case, to whom do those copies belong? 2. Would such agreement have to be specified in the contract? 3 If such copies belong to the claimant, how can he compel the attorney to give them up? Answer. 1. To the attorney. 2. No. 3. They are a part of the attorney's records. We do not know how he could be compelled to give them up. There could be no law for such a procedure. If the claimant desired copies, he should have taken copies before he sent the papers to the attorney.

J. V., Fort Keogh, Mont.—No bounty was provided for enlistments in the Regular Army prior to July

for your enlistment in 1860. G.A.R.? We ask this to settle a question in our Post. There have two Cherokees applied for membership. If these get in all right, there are several more to follow. Answer. Yes, if otherwise quali-Pittville, Shasta Co., Cal.—The trouble in your case

appears to be, as we construe your letter, that you have not furnished medical evidence showing that the alleged sequences are "resulting disabilities" of the disease originally claimed to have originated in the service, and you admit that you cannot prove their existence in the service. It is not necessary in all cases to prove that "resulting disabilities existed in the service, but it is necessary to prove that they did result from a cause due to service and in line of duty, and where such additional disabili-tles developed after service this can only be proved by competent medical testimony, unless the result-Ing disability is so common a sequence as to render it quite probable that it is a legitimate result, etc. The diseases claimed by you as results of chronic diarrhea are not common sequences, and will not be accepted as results of said disease without medical proof of the fact, because they are very liable to exist independent of each other and may not be due to the service. Your theory may be correct, but it will not be accepted by the Pension Office unless you can demonstrate its accuracy by medical proof showing your exact physical condition at the date when these diseases appeared. G. P., Brooklyn.—Is there any law passed by Congress giving preference to veterans of the late war to be retained in offices coming under the civil service, when a reduction is made in such offices? Answer. Section 1754, Revised Statutes of the United States, provides that persons honorably discharged from service for disability which originated in serv-

foe and in line of duty shall be preferred for appointments to civil offices, other things being B. L. J., Peoria, Ill.-1. If the soldier was never mustered into the U.S. service, as we infer from your statement, he would not be entitled to pay or bounty, and yet he appears to have rendered some service. A statement of the facts should be sub-

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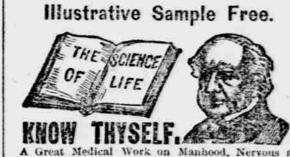
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No. 276, Albany, N. Y.-Is an officer who was a prisoner several months entitled to 25 cents per day ration money for the time he was in Confederate prisons, and the same amount for the time he was on sick leave after his return from prison? 2 An officer paroled from Confederate An officer paroled from Confederate prisons was sent home on sick leave and had to pay his own fare. He was unable to join his regiment, and was discharged for disability. Is he entitled to trans-portation from Annapolis to his home? Answer.

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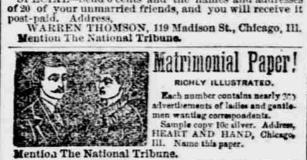
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